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SUBJ: CHIEF BUTHELEZI REFUSED ADMISSION TO WHITE HOTEL

1. CHIEF GATSHA BUTHELEZI, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE, FIVE CHILDREN, AND TWO MEMBERS OF KWAZULU CABINET, WAS REFUSED ADMISSION TO A SMALL COUNTRY HOTEL FEBRUARY 15 IN NORTH-WESTERN NATAL. MANAGER REFUSED ADMISSION TO PARTY, WHOSE ARRIVAL HAD BEEN DELAYED BY HEAVY RAINS UNTIL MIDNIGHT, ON GROUNDS THAT IT WAS A WHITE HOTEL, DESPITE CONFIRMED ADVANCE RESERVATIONS IN WRITING. AFTER APPEALING TO POLICE, PARTY WAS HOUSED BY FORMER MAYOR OF DUNDEE AT HIS HOME.

2. COMMENT: INCIDENT PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN ONE OF LARGER CITIES WHERE COLOR BAR IS INCREASINGLY BEING BENT, ESPECIALLY FOR PERSONS OF BUTHELEZI'S STANDING. NEVERTHELESS, IT DEMONSTRATES UNCERTAINTY INHERENT IN PRESENT LAW AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AND DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS BY NON-WHITES.

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